

Proclamation

Older Americans Month May 2016

- WHEREAS,** *Bloomington includes a community of older Americans who deserve recognition for their contributions to our city; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Bloomington recognizes that older adults are trailblazers—advocating for themselves, their peers, and their communities—paving the way for future generations; and*
- WHEREAS,** *Bloomington is committed to raising awareness about issues facing older Americans and helping all individuals to thrive in their community for as long as possible; and*
- WHEREAS,** *we appreciate the value of inclusion and support in helping older adults successfully contribute to and benefit from their community; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The 2014 American Community Survey estimates 22.8% of Bloomington’s population is age 62 and older; and*
- WHEREAS,** *The City of Bloomington, through its Human Services Division, provided eighty-one programs for 16,400 people age 50+ in 2015; and*
- WHEREAS,** *our community can provide opportunities to enrich the lives of individuals of all ages by:*
- *Promoting and engaging in activity, wellness, and social involvement.*
 - *Ensuring community members can benefit from the contributions and experience of older adults.*
- THEREFORE** *be it resolved that I, Gene Winstead, Mayor of the city of Bloomington, Minnesota do hereby proclaim May, 2016 to be Older Americans Month. I urge every resident to take time this month to acknowledge older adults and the people who serve them as powerful and vital individuals who greatly contribute to our community.*

Please join us this May as the Human Services Division offers creative and informative events and workshops for the community.

Dated this 2nd day of May, 2016

*Gene Winstead, Mayor
City of Bloomington*